

Conference on Illinois History

Illinois Historic Preservation Agency

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Registration, Continental Breakfast & Book Sales

Book signings begin at 9:00 A.M.

8:30 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Illinois Mormon History

Chair: Kathleen S. Thomas, Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield

“An Illinois Farmer in Utah Territory, or the Subsequent Return of the Native,” Gerald M. Haslam, Brigham Young University

“The Old Pioneer Cemetery of Green Plains, Illinois,” Kenneth V. Crossley, Harris Fine Arts Center, Brigham Young University

Comment: Victor Broderick, Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield

Native Americans and the Illinois Country

Moderator: James Cornelius, Illinois Historical Survey

“Royal Policy & Gift-Giving in the Illinois Country: Wilkins’ Journal of Transactions with the Indians, 1768–1772,” Jeffrey A. Spanbauer, Black Hawk College

“Beyond Retribution: Transgressions against Native Americans in the Illinois Country,” David M. Brady, Prairie Archives, Springfield

“Troubled With Them No More: The Winnebago War and Its Role as a Catalyst to Indian Removal and the Chicago Treaty of 1833,” William Franz, Chicago

Crime and Punishment

“The 1873 Murder of William Matson: Race, Law and Justice in Nineteenth Century Illinois,” Judith Rowan, Urbana

“Incident at Grape Creek: The Use of Deadly Force by the Illinois Militia in the Pullman Strike,” Robert Sampson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Comment: Beverly A. Smith, Illinois State University

National Register Workshop (please note that this workshop runs until noon)

“What is the National Register of Historic Places and How Can Properties In My Community Be Listed?”

Tracey A. Sculle and Amy Easton, IHPA

10:30 A.M. TO NOON CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Relocating the State Capital

“The Politics of Relocating the Capital from Vandalia to Springfield,” Patrick A. Pospisek, University of Illinois at Springfield

“Rings of Fire: The 1871 Chicago and Peshtigo Fires and the Attempts to Remove the Illinois State Capital,” Robert C. Ladendorf, Springfield

Women in Southern Illinois

“A Woman’s Work is Never Done: Women in Nineteenth-Century Southern Illinois,” Courtney Kisat, McKendree College

“‘Even in the remotest parts of the state’: Downstate Illinois Women on the World War I Home Front,” Virginia R. Boynton, Western Illinois University

Illinois Reporting/Panel Discussion

“Curtis D. MacDougall, Curmudgeon Reporter,” Daniel E. Thornburgh, Eastern Illinois University

Panel:

Peggy Boyer Long, University of Illinois at Springfield

Jeff Nelson, Lincoln Courier

Reformers, Culture and Citizenship in Chicago

Chair: Richard S. Taylor, IHPA

“‘Can Buy the Italian Vote with a Glass of Beer’: Culture and Citizenship in Chicago’s Nineteenth Ward,” Richard G. Moss, Purdue University

“Finding the ‘Middle Ground’ in Post-World War II Sexuality: How Homogenous was Postwar Chicago?” Sarah E. Heath, Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi

Comment: Edward R. Kantowicz, Chicago

NOON TO 1:30 P.M. LUNCH

Prairie Capitol Convention Center, Buddinger Room

“Illinois Senators”

Robert Hartley and David Kenney
authors of *An Uncertain Tradition: U.S. Senators from Illinois, 1818-2003*

Reservation required: see registration form

1:30 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Chicago Politics

“John Fitzpatrick, the Labor Party of Cook County, and Local Democratic Politics in the Chicago Mayoral Election, 1919,” Aaron Berkowitz, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Municipal Government and Voluntarism: Chicago in the Great Depression, 1929–1933,” Vincent Gaddis, Benedictine University

Joseph Smith and the Nauvoo Legion/Panel Discussion

Moderator: Bryon Andreasen, IHPA

Panel:

Susan Easton Black, Brigham Young University

Donald Q. Cannon, Brigham Young University

Richard E. Bennett, Brigham Young University

Women’s Roles in Early Illinois

Chair: Catherine O’Connor, IHPA

“A Woman’s Place is in the Fur Trade,” Annmarie Zan, Isle a la Cache Museum

“Prudence Crandall: From Abolitionist Baptist to Women’s Rights Spiritualist,” Jennifer Rycenga, San Jose State University

Comment: Stacy Pratt McDermott, Papers of Abraham Lincoln

Teacher Workshop: “Using Impersonators in the Classroom”

Chair: Phil Funkenbusch, IHPA

“Harriet Tubman,” Kathryn Harris, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, IHPA

“Abraham Lincoln,” James Keeran, Bloomington

3:15 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

The Chicago War Exposition 1918

Chair and Comment: Virginia Boynton, Western Illinois University

Panel:

J. D. Bowers, Northern Illinois University

Emily Rollins, Northern Illinois University

Local History, Part 1

Moderator: Wayne C. Temple, Illinois State Archives

“The Men of Veteran Post Number 49 Department of Illinois Grand Army of the Republic,” Christian Schock, Galesburg

“Ulysses S. Grant, the Galena Years—A Look Back at the 1900s,” Steve Repp, Galena Public Library

Illinois Civil War Round Tables

Moderator: Thomas F. Schwartz, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library, IHPA

“The Confederate Imprisonment of Sergeant Charles Valier,” Charles E. Valier, St. Louis

Reports of the Round Tables

Teacher Workshop: “Historical Adventures: Uncovering the Mysteries of Illinois History”

Anita North, Oak Park and River Forest High School

EVENING BANQUET

7:00 p.m.

Renaissance Springfield

Speaker

Catherine Clinton

Historian Catherine Clinton is the author of *Harriet Tubman: The Road to Freedom* and *The Other Civil War: American Women in the Nineteenth Century*.

Reservation required: see registration form

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:00 A.M. Registration, Continental Breakfast & Book Sales

8:45 A.M. TO 10:15 A.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

19th Century Antislavery and Social Justice

Chair and Comment: James E. Davis, Illinois College

“Samuel G. Wright Antislavery Advocate,” Owen W. Muelder, Knox College

“Chipping Away at Racism in the 1855 State Legislature,” Jane Ann Moore, Owen Lovejoy Society

Illinois Issues

“The Orange Ballot Blues: Illinois’ 1964 At-Large Election,” James L. McDowell, Indiana State University

“Storm over Alton: The Melvin Price Lock and Dam,” Todd Shallat, Boise State University

Native American Portraits

“A NetLogo Case Study of a Model of Development of Cahokia,” Christopher Newman, Elgin Community College

“Literary Depictions of Native Americans by Illinois Writers,” Purva J. Rushi, Northern Illinois University

Comment: Robert M. Owens, Wichita State University

Teacher Workshop: Illinois Maps

Moderator: Keith A. Sculle, IHPA

Gerald Danzer, University of Illinois at Chicago

10:30 A.M. TO NOON CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Lincoln and the Ministers

“Did a Methodist Preacher Influence Abraham Lincoln’s Self Concept?” Richard Chrisman, Illinois Great Rivers Annual Conference

“The Intimate Friendship of Abraham Lincoln and Owen Lovejoy,” William F. Moore, Owen Lovejoy Society

Chicago Cultural Expressions

Chair: Ted Hild, IHPA

“Time for Uncle Win: The Career and Political Activity of Win Stracke, 1931–1957,” Kevin Kaufmann, Loyola University

“Shared Cultural Spaces: The Black, Chicano, and Puerto Rican Arts Movements in Chicago, 1960s-1970s,” Anthony James Ratcliff, University of Massachusetts

Comment: Philip S. Krone, Chicago

Illinois and the World

“An Isolationist Businessman in an Internationalist Era: Sterling Morton of Chicago and American Foreign Policy, 1945-1960,” Bernard Lemelin, Lavel University

“The Illinois Congressional Delegation and the St. Lawrence Seaway Act of 1954,” Philip A. Grant Jr., Pace University

Teacher Workshop: “The Changing World of Local Historians”

Myron A. Marty, Drake University

NOON TO 1:30 P.M. LUNCH

Prairie Capitol Convention Center, Buddinger Room

Tim Samuelson (City of Chicago Cultural Affairs Office) author of *But Wait! There's More: The Irresistible Appeal and Spiel of Ronco and Popeil*

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1:30 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Emancipation and Reconstruction

“Emancipation, Browning and Burlamaqui,” Burrus M. Carnahan, U.S. Department of State

“‘A Question of Political Dynamics’: Illinois Republicans and the Origins of Radical Reconstruction,” David S. Smith, Northwestern University

Holding Patterns: Public Policy and the Built Environment

Chair: Carol Dyson, IHPA

“Juvenile Detention in Champaign County, 1955–2000,” Alice C. Jones-Nelson, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

“Cleared for Takeoff: The Rise, Fall, and Rebirth of Chicago’s Municipal/Midway Airport,” Scott Berger, Kane County, Illinois

Free Speech and the Student Movement

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“McCarthyism at the University of Illinois,” Nicholas Wisseman, Riverweb Digital History Research Assistant, St. Louis

“New Perspectives on the Chicago Student Movement of the Sixties: Challenging the Status Quo on the Campuses and the Streets of Chicago,” Caroline Rolland-Diamond, University of Paris I—Panthéon-Sorbonne

Teacher Workshop:

“U.S. History through Illinois State and Local Sources: Developing Electronic Sources for Student Research,” Edward Carroll, Heartland Community College

“Reformatting History: Developing Audiovisual Materials for Use in Teaching Illinois History,” James Edstrom, William Rainey Harper College

3:15 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M. CONCURRENT SESSIONS**From Market Revolution to Gilded Age**

“Illinois During the Market Revolution Era,” Marc A. Dluger, Loyola University

“East St. Louis: The Other Illinois Railroad Town During the Gilded Age,” Kathleen F. Connor, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville

Comment: Robert Eckley, Bloomington

Abraham and Mary Lincoln in Memory

Moderator: John Lupton, Papers of Abraham Lincoln

“Does Mary Lincoln Deserve the Ranking of Worst First Lady?” Ralph V. Gary, Texas

“Abraham Lincoln in Chicago’s Memory: The Saint Gauden’s Lincoln Statue in Lincoln Park,” Patrick Mallory, Loyola University

Local History Part 2

Chair: Anthony Rubano, IHPA

“The Mad Gasser of Mattoon, Illinois,” Scott Maruna, Routt Catholic High School

“Precision Made in Springfield: The Park Sherman Company of Illinois 1925–1981,” Madeline Gumble, IHPA

Teacher Workshop: Educational and Volunteer Opportunities at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum

Julie Dirksen, Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, IHPA